



February 23, 2021 COVID-19 Update

Effective today, the Department of Public Health (DPH) is now permitting school districts to accept two test options if no symptoms are present on the 5th day of quarantining.

The day of exposure is day 0 (zero). If your child has had a direct exposure in school, you will receive an email with detailed information, including their specific return date.

There is NO change to the quarantine period for students that test positive.

The three quarantine options for students that have had direct exposure include:

1. Quarantine at home for 7 consecutive days. If asymptomatic on or after the 5th day, the student may take a **PCR test or rapid test**. If asymptomatic and with a negative test that is reviewed and approved by school administrators, the student may return to school and activities on the 8th day.

Test results are reviewed before 2 pm each school day. If a test result is uploaded after 2 pm, it may not result in the student returning to school on the 8th day. Before the student can return to school and school activities, the parent/guardian must receive an approval email from the school with a revised return date when either test option is utilized. If the test is positive, you must notify your school.

OR

2. Quarantine at home for 10 consecutive days. If asymptomatic, the student may return to school and activities on the 11th day.

OR

3. Quarantine at home for 14 consecutive days. If asymptomatic, the student may return to school and activities on the 15th day.

If you select option 1, we will be notified when you provide the negative test result. If you select option 3, please notify your school.

If your child is currently quarantined due to a direct exposure and is asymptomatic, please follow the options and notification process listed above.